

Houston Locals.

Miss Estelle Hollis, Ethel Henry and Loreta Strong of Dorris were the week end guests of Mrs. Ashton Toomer.

Mrs. R. M. Boyd of Aberdeen is the guest of relatives here this week.

Dr. Will Walker of Houka was the guest of relatives Tuesday.

Miss Clytie Evans and her guests Misses Eckford and Hooper of the I. I. & C. faculty, returned to Columbus Sunday.

Misses Tate Evans and Eva Johnson returned to the I. I. & C. Monday.

An Easter egg hunt at the residence of Mrs. Louis Tendall with little Elizabeth Nellie as hostess was very much enjoyed by more than twenty-five guests on the 3rd inst.

Jim Hugh Tabb entertained quite a number of little folks at an Easter hunt on Saturday afternoon of the 3rd.

Rev. I. D. Farmer left this week for Mantachie, Itawamba county for a ten days meeting.

Miss Louise Evans returned home from Calhoun City Sunday. She has been teaching at that place for the past eight months.

Miss Hallie Smith passed through Houston Monday enroute home from Itta Bena where she has been teaching.

Mesdames Sissler and Gaines of Vardaman were in Houston shopping Monday.

Hon. A. T. Stovall of Okolona was here attending court this week.

Dr. J. S. Evans left Wednesday for Memphis. He goes to be with his daughter, Mrs. Kimball of Vardaman in an operation for appendicitis.

Miss Grace Evans was a charming hostess to a number of friends on the evening of the 8th inst.

Willie Ford of McCordy was a visitor here this week.

A. J. Dorman and wife had as their guests several lady friends at a six course luncheon Sunday last.

Mesdames D. S. Johnson and B. N. Knox spent a few hours Saturday at Vardaman.

The friends of H. C. Brevard will be glad to hear that he is steadily improving and will soon be himself again.

Dr. C. D. Davis spent several days in Okolona this week.

Miss Margaret Crighton of Okolona is the guest of Mrs. Ashton Toomer this week.

Mr. L. E. Brevard, formerly of this place, but now of Natchez returned home Tuesday.

The Houston Cafe has again thrown open its doors to the public. This restaurant is one the most up-to-date that can be found anywhere in this section of the state. It strictly complies with all sanitary laws, it serves nothing but what is well prepared and nicely served. You will find the new manager, Mr. U. A. Clinton, one of the most courteous gentlemen you ever met, he will take special delight in administering to your wants.

See Dr. G. L. Walker, Optician, at Tabb Bros Drug Store for your Eye Troubles. Examination Free. I will be glad to fit you if your eyes bother you in anyway have them examined.

Mrs. O. C. Ehrlich is on the sick list this week.

Mr. Leo Phillips of Houka paid The Hummer office a very pleasant call while in town Wednesday.

Mr. Slover of Mobile was the guest of friends here this week.

Little David Marion Goza, son of Mr. and Mrs. L. L. Goza, was seriously injured by a mule at the home of his grandfather near Houka last Tuesday.

Mr. Ellis H. H. one of Chickasaw county's most successful farmers is attending court here this week.

Messrs Lee Kynard and Austin Skelton of Sparta are attending court this week.

Oscar McGee of Egypt was in town on business Thursday.

Mr. Thomas King Dunlap of New Albany was in town on business Thursday.

P. G. Moody was the guest of I. P. Jones, first of the week.

Hon John W Winter of Houka paid this office a very pleasant call Monday.

Messrs I. V. Abernethy, Penn Knox and L. P. Haley of Okolona attended court here this week.

The many friends of Mr. A. J. Dorman will be glad to learn that he is on the road to recovery after a severe case of grip.

Mrs. Randle of Crawford is visiting her son, P. W. Randle, for a few weeks.

Mr. Lundy Smith of McCordy was the guest of his daughter, Mrs. A. P. Odom, Tuesday.

Mr. H. W. Nelson of Buena Vista spent a few days in Houston this week.

Mrs. A. W. Domineck and daughter Susie, of West Point, are the guests of Mrs. Sue Lyon.

Dr. Mitchell, and some friends motored down from Houka Thursday.

Messrs. O. M. Harrill and J. W. H. Baskin of Houka were transacting business here today.

Editor Murphy of the Monitor of Pittsboro, was a pleasant visitor to this office today.

Mr. J. R. Owen, junior publisher of the New Albany Gazette paid us a very pleasant call today.

We learn today that Hon. S. Joe of New Albany has withdrawn from the race for Secretary of State. Mr. Owen has a host of friends in Chickasaw county who will be sorry to learn of his decision to pull down.

Mr. Ed Raggett of New Albany is here today making arrangements to put on a motion picture show. He hopes to be able to open up for business Tuesday night in the old Amuse-U-Theatre stand.

Pardonably Personally.

Just to satisfy many letters and verbiage questions concerning the paper I respectfully submit the following explanation:

When I was injured in the "grandstand fall" at Jackson in 1911, on Thanksgiving Day, along with many others, it almost made me feel that my ambition was gone forever. But a successful operation by a great surgeon in University of Virginia Hospital, Charlottesville, on Jan. 23, 1911, brightened my hopes into a determination to get well. Although I almost "pegged" I could not keep from planning for the future and one of those plans is now The Hummer—thanks to you for its growth and favor. After five and one half months of "delicious pain" I came home with my mother. My uncle, O. M. Harrill had prepared a five window, three door east room, at his home a mile and one half from the new town of Houka, and into this "Happydom Den" of mine I "plaster casted" myself on an adjustable invalid's bed that can be raised or lowered, head, foot or middle, just like a wheel chair, only much easier and more comfortable. He has given me every convenience in the way of electric lights, electric fan, water works, push button, telephone, library and bed and naturally it makes me the happiest boy you know. Find a happier kiddy and I'll "set him up" to "strawberry." In this room I do my reading and writing when pain hasn't the right-away and when I do not have visitors. I used an Underwood machine for several years but now have a new Royal that tilts toward me as my head is raised on the bed. In this manner every one of my articles in The Hummer are written and then mailed to Houston. Although I cannot be in the printing office, I keep up with its doings by the page of my phone. For instance a certain man comes in "The Hummer" office and presents the wherewithal for an announcement. The news is immediately phoned to me, say at ten o'clock a. m. The "write up" is written and carried by rider to the Houka postoffice and the boys in the shop get the copy at one p. m. I hope to be in Houston during court, leaving here at noon next Sunday or Monday. I want to meet all of the Chickasaw people that I do not know, for I especially desire to know YOU so I can run the paper better and print just what YOU want in a real county paper. It is a great desire of mine to hum into every home in the county and I earnestly ask that you subscribe and be a hummer along with the rest of the happiest readers in the world. The many kind words that YOU have given me since my injury, for my personal welfare and for The Hummer, and all the overwhelming assurance that you have given me in boosts and smiles for the success of the paper, have kept me from thinking of pain and I have made my life one great JOY with HAPPINESS heaped all round. Thanks, thanks and then some more from now on and forever.

I shall boost Houston and Chickasaw county just as much and more than I did the town of Houka. I want all of us to get together and make The Hummer the hummerest hummer in Mississippi and I right now pledge myself to "bust my cast" or make boils come out all over it to accomplish that ambition.

I am now able to walk and you can imagine that nearly three years of bed life makes my walking that much more welcome and much more thankful. Honest the first step I took after trying for many times was one of the greatest and happiest events of my life. As I yet must wear a heavy plaster cast that I call my "Kabo of American Beauty" it is rather hard for me to get about with ease and without severe pain. But my friends and their good wishes makes it the easier and to them I thank from every corner of my happy heart. My cast has been on now for 22 months and cannot be taken off without using a chisel. Since it has almost made me well do you think I could

cast it off now? Think that stickish closer than a brother become very friendly—although his heaviness and tightness, and almost unbearable hotness during the summer, sometimes causes frowns when smiles should be "smiling."

I especially desire to thank all of my visitors who have been so kind to come with cheer and other good things that make a sick boy glad. I have the names of every one who have been to see me and the number runs over 3,000 in three years. Never a visitor but what he gives inspiration, smiles and laughs. I couldn't do without YOU. Many of my editorials are originated from a casual word said by my visitors and I thank them heaps and running over.

So The Hummer is now printed in Houston. Business and popular demand brought The Hummer to Houston and in Houston it shall hum with office hours from now on.

Red Harrill Reed.

The Houston Hospital "Helpers of the Helpless."

For many years the doctors of Memphis has been getting many hundreds of dollars that should have stayed at home. Once it was turned loose in Memphis very few cents of it ever helped the interests of Chickasaw county. When a man's "suspendix" began to wear out or his tumtum gets kinder absent minded he was rushed to Memphis for repairs. Memphis grew rich off of Chickasaw and adjoining counties and yelled for more. She took our "temperature" too many times and first thing we know people were classing themselves among the "explored and unexplored." Memphis operations gave the patient a free ticket to the land of aristocracy a class all to their own. "Appendectomy" was the pass word and the man who could show the longest "removal" was the crowned king of glory. If the doctor made two "insertions" their fame was fixed—their bank account was finished.

But NOW a new order of things prevail. Chickasaw county has a hospital and Houston is its home. Here it should be for two railroads and many good gravel roads lead to it from all directions. And the men in charge are the right men for the place—they are the men behind the knife—steady—reliable—ready and equipped for the most delicate cases. The nurses are graduates and no hospital could have better attention to their patients as do these nurses here in our town, already one hundred operations, including most every class have been done here during the past six months with only one death. Drs. Dan S. Johnson and V. P. Philpot should be congratulated for their energy and accomplishments. The building is modern and excellently equipped for the finest hospital. The charges are reasonable and it will pay all sick people to come here instead of going to other cities of unknown people. Houston must boost this firm of good doctors and make it the best in North Mississippi—help them to save patients at home, where a long trip would be fatal in emergencies.

The Hummer is happy to see institution make good and we shall help boost it FROM NOW ON. If you are sick they will make you well—if you have the poitices they will "fixum"—if you need repairing, a bolt here, an axle there or a spring yonder, they are on the job for YOU.

Misses Miram Tabb, Maquette Evans and Mary Emma Roane returned to Columbus Monday to take up their duties at the I. I. & C.

Mr. Morgan Shell Evans a student of the University, is at home for a weeks visit.

Mrs. W. L. Hill is in Meridian for a visit to her mother.

Mrs. Walter Jack is in Tupelo attending the big Sunday School Convention that is in session there this week.

Dr. McElroy of Memphis was here Saturday having been called here to attend H. C. Brevard who has been critically ill.

HOULKA LOCAL NEWS

Call on W. L. Towery for fresh and fancy groceries.

Quite a good number from here are attending court at Houston.

Messrs B. B. Thorn and L. C. Wade made a flying trip to Calhoun Sunday.

Miss Annie Medlin visited Houston last Wednesday.

Mr. Fred Lowery of Loyd was in town Wednesday on business.

Prof. Jeva Winter of Vardaman visited relatives here Sunday.

Miss Mollie Thompson is visiting her sister at Wallfield.

Mr. and Mrs. Donald Palmer are spending the Easter holidays in Memphis.

Mr. D. R. Hendricks is taking a few vacation this week.

Mr. J. R. Shoffner is attending the lumbermen's meeting in Memphis.

Mr. W. C. Worrel and family have moved to Brunswick, Tenn. we are sorry to lose the.

W. A. Cook has moved his grocery store from the Thomas building into Westmoreland building.

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Houka High School Notes.

Three more weeks of school, and things are humming.

We are sorry that the assistants had to be abandoned but if it had been kept up. O my!

The new shades for the school building certain look fine.

Practice for the play for commencement has been started in earnest.

Ask Mr. Weaver how well Houka High School can spell.

We are sorry that several pupils have stopped school, but are glad that the majority are still staying on.

Will you be on the grand honor roll?

Honor and Merit rolls will appear later.

Schedule
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at Houka, Mississippi.
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Contractors' Notice.
State of Mississippi,
Chickasaw County.
Notice is hereby given that the Board of Supervisors of Chickasaw county, Miss., will receive bids until 12 o'clock noon. On Monday May 3rd, 1915, for screening the jail in the First District of Chickasaw county, Miss., according to plans and specifications on file in the Chancery Clerk's office at Houston, Miss. The Board reserves the right to reject any all bids.
Witness my signature this the 9th day of April, 1915.
H. E. Brannon, Clerk.

CASH FOR ALL MEATS.

It is understood that the Market is run separately from my Grocery Store, and strictly Cash, unless you prefer a Market Book. I will be glad to furnish meat books to every customer, otherwise we will have to have the cash on delivery. I have no books in the market and it is impossible for the cutter to keep these small deliveries in his mind. Please call 86 when you need a book and I will deliver same.

D. L. ANDREWS